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 Poloff delivered reftel A talking points as a non-paper to Hernan Mena, Sub Director for Disarmament and International Security of Chile's Foreign Ministry, on April 125. Mena said Chile's Ambassador to Vienna and to the UN Mission in Vienna would head Chile's delegation to the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty Preparatory Committee meeting (NPT PrepCom I) in Vienna, Austria. Mena could not respond directly to reftel talking points, but said that Chile was in agreement with the U.S. that the main issues for PrepCom I would be non-proliferation, disarmament, and peaceful nuclear cooperation -- with perhaps "some differences in emphasis." Chile is concerned about developments in North Korea and Iran, and is generally in line with U.S. efforts to stem proliferation. Chile is also interested in how the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism will fit in with PrepCom discussions. Mena predicted a "lively and interesting opening session." Although Mena thought the mission in Vienna would be providing a non-paper preview of Chile's positions in response to reftel points, as of 1700 April 27 Post had not received this document.

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